

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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December 10, 2023

Mass Schedule:

Mon., Tues., Fri. - 12:00 Noon
Saturday Vigil - 5:30 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
Reconciliation OLP/SP Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm
SJB/HT Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

Office Hours for SJB/HT

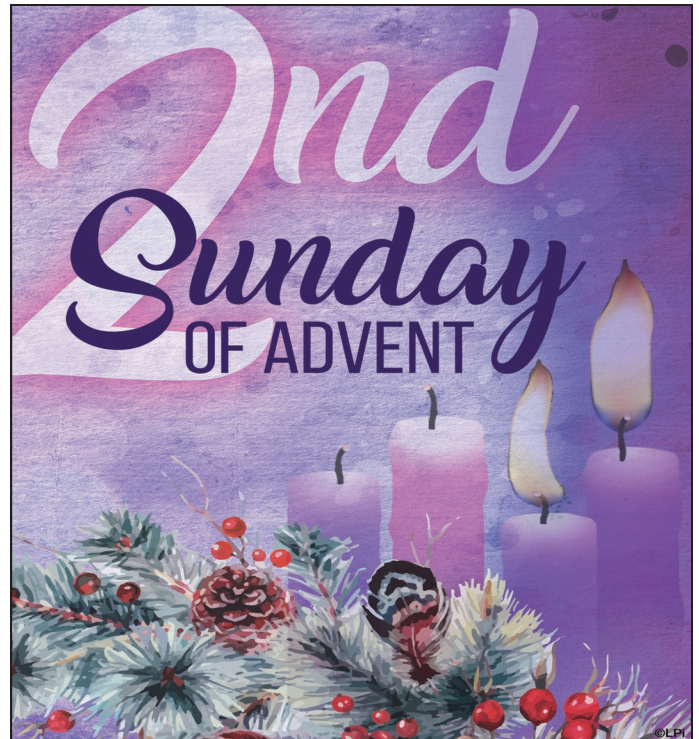
Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm
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Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday, 9:00am
Monday, Tuesday & Friday Noon in Chapel

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church

Saturday, 4:00pm ~~~~~ Saturday, 6:00pm Vietnamese
Sunday, 7:30am, 11:30am & 5:00pm
Sunday, 9:30am Vietnamese
Tuesday – Friday 9:00am in Chapel



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Second Sunday of Advent

We like to think we are totally free, but the bitter truth is we simply are not. Or better put, our freedom is limited on every side — by governments, corporate giants, physical and mental frailties, genetic shortcomings, and even the boundaries of time and space, and above all, the burden of our sins and pending deaths. In our day, we are perhaps particularly aware that we are not free to disconnect from the technocratic rulers of the air. If you doubt me, try not paying your internet bill and see what happens. We are not totally free.

It's nothing new, of course. In Jesus' day, everyone felt the crushing weight of the Roman Empire. You can say you're free all you want. But try not paying your taxes to Rome and see what happens.

Once we feel this burden in our own lives — however it comes — we are ready to hear the stunning announcement that commences Mark's gospel, "**The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.**" It's not a simple perfunctory introduction, but a dramatic announcement of new freedom. The word "gospel" was a political, even military, term. It meant: a great victory has been won and a new king is in charge. This Jesus — not the Roman emperor — is God's son, and he has defeated all that crushes human freedom. It's time to follow him and be truly free. This week let's refuse to submit our freedom to false rulers — especially that of sin. And let's rejoice that Christ is coming to make us perfectly free from all our oppressors.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso
Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson

Senior Priest in Residence Fr. Lester Smith
In Residence Fr. Paschal Anionye

Music Director/Organist James Stanley
Buildings/Grounds Robert Warren
Religious Education Betty Warren



SJB/HT Religious Education

We offer classes from Pre-K (4 yrs. Old) to Confirmation II. If you wish to have your child participate, please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357. If you are interested in teaching, please call Betty. Please pray for our Students and our Teachers, that they will have a successful and enjoyable year.

A Family Perspective Family Life Education



Why is it so hard to forgive, yet so easy to get even? Listen to John the Baptist in today's Gospel and repent of the anger and ugly feelings which block your ability to forgive. This Christmas give a gift, which makes a difference. Give forgiveness.



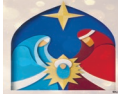
Pray For Vocations

"A voice is calling." Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org, and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.

The Giving Wagon



The Giving Wagon for The All Faith Food Pantry has been set up once again in the body of the Church, in front of the Blessed Mothers Altar. The All Faith Food Pantry has requested gifts of personal hygiene for men, women and children as well as paper products and cleaning products for the home. These gifts will help the pantry clients greatly by letting the clients use their SNAP benefits for more food items. We thank you for your generous and thoughtful gifts. The wagon will remain through the Christmas season.



Lector Scheduling

Christmas Eve and Day Masses

Sat. Dec. 23rd 5:30pm - Cathy Schotthoefer
Sun. Dec. 24th 9:00am - Pat Minnoe
Sun. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Vigil 4:00pm - Owen Donovan
Sun. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Vigil 9:00pm - filled
Mon. Dec. 25th Christmas Day 9:00am - Pat Minnoe

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman The World Is Pregnant



There is a character, Rose of Sharon, in John Steinbeck's *Grapes of Wrath* who is pregnant with her first child. As her impoverished family migrates from their native Oklahoma to California, Rose of Sharon's all-consuming preoccupation is her unborn child. Everything she eats, every drink she lets pass her lips, every action she takes — none of it is done without thought for the child that is still so small as to make his mother's expectancy barely discernible to the naked eye.

"For Rose of Sharon was pregnant," wrote Steinbeck. "And the world was pregnant to her."

It is the same for us Christians in the Advent season. We can feel a change coming, and the hope of this change consumes us. It shapes our actions and our plans, we feel it in our hearts and in our souls and in our limbs. From the food we eat to the clothing we wear to the words we use, the unseen Child lives and breathes and works in every small part of this blessed season.

Even the commercial clamor that is the secular "Christmas holiday" cannot fully distract us from the holy sense of anticipation we have. We are baptized, and so it is inside of us, this voice that cries out in the desert. When we hear it, we cannot help but listen.

The Virgin is pregnant, and the world is pregnant to us.

"We await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." — 2 Peter 3:13 ©LPi



The month of November:

We laid to rest of our parish family **Mary Gehres**.
May she rest in peace.
Congratulations to
Kennedy Rose Minnoe and Sofia Rosina Mulcahy
on their baptisms.
God's blessings to them and their families.

Remember: Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, De De Calkins, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, Mary Frenza, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Camille Grosso, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Emma Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Antoinette Perotta, Philomena Piraino, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Sal Scro, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler. **We also remember in our prayers our Service Men and Women and our Health Care Workers.**



Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday December 9, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Guy Blasi - Children
Henry Pagano - Wife, Esther
Frank Procopio - The Family
Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Jayne Blasi - Annmarie & Mark Kinnan
Frank & Carmine Carapella - Frank & Sue
Antoinette Pascarella - Esther Pagano & Family

5:30pm SJB/HT - Ida Bruno - The Family
Rosanna Pennacchia - Peg & Mary

Sunday December 10, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Michael Iacampo - Wife & Daughter

9:00am SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
Darlene Noyes Crawford - Mom
Joseph Jefski - Norm & Pat Jaquin
George & Veronica Wittwer - Grandchildren

11:30am OLP/SP - Dona Cerio - Joe & Trish
Santina Sindoni - The Family
Rosa Lai Tha - Kim & Family
Joe & Elaine Dalfo - Joe & Trish
Leo & Annette Zoanetti - Joe & Trish
Domenico Cappucilli - Henry & Veronica
Esther Pagano - Antimo, Vigliotti & Family
The deceased members of the Salamino Family - Joe & Trish

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Monday December 11, 2023

12:00pm SJB/HT - Don Cox - The Family
Agnes Ewald - The Estate

Tuesday December 12, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
12:00pm SJB/HT - Michael Cannavino - Georgiann

Wednesday December 13, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday December 14, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Lucille Dwyer - Vinnie, Denise & Family
4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday December 15, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Mary Taft - Jim & Julie Taft
Mr. & Mrs. Amleto DiScenna - Gilda Sisera

12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

Saturday December 16, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Henry Pagano - Wife, Esther
Virginia Lanza - The Family
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Marianna D'Ambrosio - Frank & Sue
Ron Pierce - Rocky Barbato & Family
Antoinette Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe
Anthony "Midnite" Silvaggio - Nick & Joe
Helen & Dorothy Dali - Sister, Bertha & Family
Frank Giannantonio & Julio DeLorio - Frank & Sue

5:30pm SJB/HT - Agnes Ewald - The Estate



Lector Schedule - Dec. 16th & Dec. 17th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Annette Marchbanks
9:00am SJB/HT: Lisa Johnson

Office Christmas Schedule Christmas Week Masses

Closed for the Holiday

SJB/HT and OLP/SP Rectories will be closed the week of Christmas Monday Dec. 25 - Friday Dec. 29th and New Year Day Monday Jan. 1, 2024. SJB/HT will have Noon Mass Tuesday Dec. 26th and Friday Dec. 29th. OLP/SP will have 9:00am Mass Tuesday, Dec. 26th, Wednesday, Dec. 27th, Thursday, Dec. 28th and Friday, Dec. 29th.

Sacrificial Giving

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

Week November 25th & November 26th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,209.00 OLP/SP Collection: N/A

Week December 2nd & December 3rd

SJB/HT Collection: \$TBA OLP/SP Collection: \$TBA

Thank you to all those parishioners who have faithfully been mailing their envelopes because they still cannot attend Mass. If you have been away or have been unable to attend Mass, please remember to send your donation to the Parish Office. We appreciate whatever you can do to help with expenses.



The Light Is On

RECONCILIATION

"The Light Is On" will be at OLP/SP on Monday Dec. 18th from 4:00-7:00pm. This is an opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession during this Advent Season. In addition, confessions will be heard on Wed. Dec. 20th at OLP/SP 4:00-5:00pm and Thurs. Dec. 21st at SJB/HT 4:00-5:00pm.

Sunday December 17, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Rose Duchessi - Children
Cathy DiBello - The Family
Eugene Penizotto - Wife & Family
Delores DiBello - Corky & Tom Bersani

9:00am SJB/HT - David McLaughlin - Mother
Angie Banac - Twin Cousins
Catherine Valentine - Mary Anne Rinker

11:30am OLP/SP - Tom Sacco - The Family
Stephen Jerry Vislosky - Anne
Vincent Vu Minh - Kim & Family
Santa Saroca - Daughter & Family
Alex J. Cimino - Michelle & the kids
Carmen & Mary Surace - The Family
Frank & Nancy Fagale - Steve & Beth
Nino & enza Mule - Margherita & John
Dr. George C. Heitzman - Wife & Family
Mary, Carmen & Melanie Surace - The Family
Matteo & Antoinetta Paduano - Daughter, Cora
Eutachio & Rosaria Cannizzaro - John & Margherita
Anthony James Cannizzaro -
The Cannizzaro & Stagnitta Families
Deceased members of the Caracci, Roffo & Notcher Families
- Joanne Caracci

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A